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Comments:

I am pleased to advise you that I signed a Notice of Allowance for this application on 22 July 2005. However, this case is among the class that requires review by a "second pair of eyes". Hence the allowance will not be official - and you will not receive any official communication from the Office in this case - until that review process is complete.

My last case took seven months to clear this review process. The process has recently been revised to reduce the delay. However, the backlog is still significant, so you likely will not receive an official notice for at least several months. I will of course advise you if I receive feedback from the review or other information.

Please do feel free to contact me if I can be of further help.

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